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PATENT

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

: RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING AN IMPROVED MOUNTING STRUCTURE

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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In response to the final Office Action dated April 18, 2002, having a three-month? shortened statutory period for response set to expire on July 18, 2002, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-3 and 5 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 over APA in view of Amagai and Jiang et al.. This rejection is respectfully traversed for the following reasons.

Claim 5 A.

It is respectfully submitted that claim 5 is patentable based on its own merits, in addition to being dependent on novel claim 1. With respect to claim 5 which is dependent on claim 1, the Examiner alleges that APA discloses "the adhesive layer being smaller in size than that of the circuit board" (see page 3, lines 2-3 of the outstanding Office Action). However, in order to